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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Deputy to the DCI for Resource Management

FROM:

Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Conversation with Deputy Secretary of Defense, 27 February 1978, on OSD Implementing Memorandum on Executive Order 12036

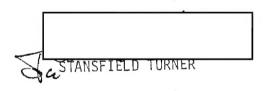
- 1. I expressed seven objections to the Deputy Secretary of Defense on the draft of this directive which had been delivered to me on 26 February:
 - a. Paragraph 2, the sentence that begins "The PRC will review the National Foreign Intelligence Program and Budget proposals to" I recommended that the last half of this sentence conform to the precise wording of the last half of the same sentence in the Executive Order at para 1-202(b). The Deputy Secretary appeared to agree to this.
 - b. The last sentence in paragraph 2. The Deputy Secretary agreed to terminate this sentence after the word "requirements" thus leaving out "...and will interpret policy and requirements for Program Managers."
 - c. Paragraph 7(a), the second sentence of this involved inter alia the phrase "in the proper format." I again recommended that since this sentence was almost verbatim out of the Executive Order that it be replaced by a verbatim from the Executive Order at para 1-602(b). The Deputy Secretary appeared to agree.
 - d. Again in paragraph 7(a), there were two statements toward the end about the $ASD(C^3I)$ and the Deputy Under Secretary (Policy) reviewing intelligence programs and budgets. Here again I recommended that we use the precise wording from the Executive Order at para 1-1108.

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- e. Paragraph 7(b), with respect to the sentence "Reprogramming actions initiated by DoD Program Managers will be submitted to the DCI through the ASD(C³I)...."
 The Deputy Secretary agreed to change the word "through" to "and."
- f. In paragraph 7(c), the next to the last sentence indicated that the two Defense officials would jointly review DCI guidance and "take appropriate action..."
 The Deputy Secretary agreed to change that to read "and make recommendations to the Secretary of Defense."
- g. In paragraph 9, there is provision that Program Managers will submit their testimony before Congress to three Defense officials 24 hours before submitting it to the DCI. I requested that that provision "and 24 hours before submittal to the DCI" simply be dropped. The Deputy Secretary appeared to agree.
- 2. I don't want to overstate the degree of acceptance by the Deputy Secretary of these provisions. This was my understanding. He seemed most cooperative but I'm sure he will check with his staff on these specific changes.
 - 3. Appreciated the good preparation from you on this.



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